Resolution No.:

18-828

Introduced:

May 25, 2017

Adopted:

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## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2018 Aggregate Operating Budget

## **Background**

- 1. Section 305 of the County Charter requires the affirmative vote of 7 Councilmembers to approve the aggregate operating budget if that budget exceeds the adopted spending affordability guidelines then in effect. Section 305 excludes from the aggregate operating budget:
  - Specific grants;
  - Enterprise Funds;
  - Tuition and tuition-related charges at Montgomery College;
  - Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.
- 2. Section 20-60 of the County Code requires the Council to set spending affordability guidelines by resolution no later than the second Tuesday in February. The guidelines must specify a ceiling on the aggregate operating budget for FY 2018.
- 3. Section 305 of the Charter requires that at least 6 Councilmembers must approve the aggregate operating budget if that budget exceeds the budget for the preceding year by more than the rate of inflation, as measured by the annual average increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers in the Washington-Baltimore Metropolitan area for the 12-month period preceding December 1, which was 1.14% percent for the 12-month period preceding December 1, 2016.
- 4. On May 26, 2016, in Resolution 18-511, the Council approved the FY 2017 aggregate operating budget in the amount of \$4,641,025,741. If that aggregate operating budget increased at the 1.14% percent rate of inflation for the 12-month period preceding December 1, 2016, it would be \$4,693,933,434.

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5. In Resolution No. 18-725 adopted February 14, 2017, the Council adopted the following spending affordability guideline for the FY 2017 aggregate operating budget.

• FY 2018 ceiling on the aggregate operating budget

\$4,733,846,255

## Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The Council approves the FY 2018 aggregate operating budget in the amount of \$4,796,849,791, as calculated on the attached page. Because the FY 2018 aggregate operating budget exceeds the adopted spending affordability guidelines, 7 affirmative votes are required to adopt this resolution.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Fenda M. Sauer

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

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The FY 2018 aggregate operating budget excludes enterprise funds, specific grants, and tuition and tuition-related charges at the College and it is calculated as follows.

Fund or District	Appropriation
General Fund	1,220,938,817
Fire District	214,862,420
Economic Development Fund	4,110,738
Mass Transit	132,226,957
Recreation District	37,687,311
Urban District	8,690,049
Montgomery County Public Schools	2,368,655,562
Montgomery College	262,759,376
Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission:	
Administration Fund	30,778,741
Park Fund	95,101,570
Debt Service on County Bonds and Leases	394,279,660
Debt Service on Park Bonds	5,666,760
Current Revenue for the Capital Budget	66,165,000
Current Revenue for PAYGO	34,000,000
Total Appropriations	4,875,922,961
Less College Tuition and Tuition-Related Charges	(79,073,170)
FY 2018 AGGREGATE OPERATING BUDGET	4,796,849,791
SUMMARY:	
Montgomery County Public Schools	2,368,655,562
Montgomery College Total	262,759,376
County Government	1,498,373,972
Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission	123,829,911
Retiree Health Insurance Pre-Funding	122,192,720
Debt Service on County Bonds and Park Bonds	399,946,420
Current Revenue and PAYGO for Capital Budget	100,165,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	4,875,922,961
Less College Tuition and Tuition-Related Charges	(79,073,170)
FY 2018 AGGREGATE OPERATING BUDGET	4,796,849,791
Aggregate Operating Budget for FY 2017	4,641,025,741
\$ increase	155,824,050
% change	3.36%